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2. ☐ Application claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 19]
(Preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 12]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]
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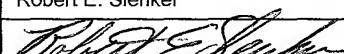
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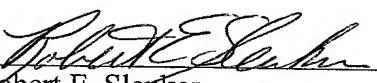
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